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Dear Mr. Dulles:

The Seventh Annual Convention of the National Counter Intelligence Corps Association is to be held in Chicago at the Hotel Sherman, on August 6th, 7th and 8th, 1954.

The first convention, in 1948, was in Chicago and our principal speaker was Rear Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter, then chief of the Central Intelligence Agency.

In keeping with this tradition, we in Chicago cordially invite you, as present Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. to be the principal speaker at our annual dinner on Saturday evening, August 7th, and we should like both you and Mrs. Dulles, if she should wish to accompany you, to be our guests during the convention.

As you may know, our organization consists of former agents in the Counter Intelligence Corps of the U.S.Army during World War II. Our purpose is to maintain friendships formed while in the service and our scope is purely social with no political slant and no affiliawith other groups. We have local clubs all over the country and from a list of some six thousand, we expect an attendance of about four hundred delegates and wives.

Having been active in intelligence work, our members are appreciative of your problems and are sympathetic toward the work of the Central Intelligence Agency. We would, therefore, be most interested in having you address us.

Robert Stripling spoke to us in Cincinnati in 1949 and in 1950 General Mark Clark spoke to us in New York. Last year at Philadelphia, General Partridge, A.C. of S. G-2, spoke to us. We in the Middle West prefer civilian speakers on intelligence matters therefore we earnestly hope that you can come.

For your information, there is enclosed herewith some convention literature together with a directory of the CIC Association of Chicago, the host club, and two clippings from todays Chicago press regarding the Central Intelligence Agency.

It will be appreciated if you will please send your response, as soon as convenient, to the undersigned at Suite 200 -Engineering Building, 205 West Wacker Drive, Chicago 6, Illinois.

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Since cely yours, MABIN I. RUSSELL - Convention Chairman SEVENTH ANNUAL NATIONAL C. I. C. ASSOCIATIO ONVENTION, AUGUST 6, 7, 8, 1954